

Christmas Dinner

Fifty Cents

Cream of Oyster Soup

Celery Stuffed Olives
Sweet Pickles Dill Pickles

Roast Turkey Fruit Dressing
Roast Goose Oyster Dressing
Roast Loin Beef Brown Gravy
Roast Pork with Apple Sauce

Black Bass with Lemon

Candied Sweet Potatoes Mashed Potatoes
Creamed Parsnips

Cranberry Sauce English Fruit Pudding

Assorted Nuts Fruit

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NEBRASKA STATE VOLUNTEER FIREMEN'S ASS'N

E. A. MILLER, Secretary

Kearney, Nebr., December 1, 1914.

To Members of the Nebraska State Volunteer Firemen's Ass'n: Brother Firemen: The Thirty-third Annual Convention of the Nebraska State Volunteer Firemen's Association will be held in the City of Nebraska City, January 19, 20, and 21, 1915. The first session will be held at 7:30 p. m. on January 19th.

All duly elected delegates of previous conventions remain members of the Association, and are entitled to all the privileges of the meeting upon the payment of the annual dues of \$1.00 in advance, which must be paid to the Secretary before January 15, or a penalty of \$1.00 will be added. This is the Law and therefore will be strictly enforced. All such members need no credentials.

Each department that is a member of this association is entitled to be represented by the Chief on the payment of the annual dues of \$2.00.

Each Company that is a member is entitled to a new delegate, and you should see to it that your company elects a delegate and that his credentials and the annual dues of \$2.00 are sent to the Secretary before January 15th, or the Penalty of \$1.00 will be added.

Chiefs often hold their office for several years, but remember that your department pays annual dues of \$2.00 and the chief is the representative just as long as he holds the office. When he retires as chief he can retain his membership by paying the annual dues of \$1.00.

In sending in the dues always give the name of the Chief and the name of the delegate-elect, and the name of the Company the delegate is to represent, so that I can get their names on the list of members.

In case that you do not intend to send a delegate but want to pay the dues so as to keep your Company in good standing, just say when you remit that there will be no delegate, then I can give your company proper credit and make the note that there will be no delegate.

I would appeal to all the old members to pay your dues and keep in good standing whether you attend the convention or not. Next year you may want to attend and it is better to keep in good standing than to have to reinstate.

And to the Departments and Companies, pay your dues whether you send a delegate or not, but I would urge you to at least send the Chief or one delegate, for there are many things to be learned for the benefit of the Firemen that are not always found in the printed proceedings of the convention.

I would urge that the Chief, or some member of the department collect the dues and send all at one time, giving a typewritten list of the names and what Company they belong to, as I like to have every person's name correct. I hope that all will comply with this request so far as possible, for it will be a great help in having the report ready at the Convention.

Chief Bartling of the Nebraska City Department informs me that all necessary arrangements are being taken care of, and they are expecting a large attendance, and that all will be royally entertained and cared for. The Chief also says that the "Missouri River Water has been clarified and is in good drinking condition."

HEADQUARTERS—The officers' headquarters will be at the GRAND HOTEL.

Any further information will be cheerfully given on inquiry.

Faternally,

E. A. MILLER, Secretary.



Merry Christmas and Happy New Year

"Although it takes so many months
To make a single year,
Yet far more quickly than you think
The months will disappear.
The very centuries have wings;
New years grow old and gray;
The work which you intend to do—
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The claim that Napoleon was strong on civil law will be readily granted, as he wasn't very much impressed by "scraps of paper" himself.

Santa's Christmas

By MARY D. ARNOTT



LINDENETTE struggled vainly with the tears that squeezed at last through tired eyelids. It was not often that the brave little homemaker gave way to grief, but in the present moment she seemed unable to control her emotion.

In the next room childish voices prattled joyously. Lindenette had not found the heart to tell them that Christmas would have to come and go without the much heralded visit from Santa Claus. Since the loss of both parents Lindenette had managed to keep a roof over the heads of her small brother and sister and had provided food for their slight frames. What did it matter if her cheeks had lost their roses and her lips their cheery bloom? The smile lingered. That was all that mattered.

She brushed her tears aside and arose to answer an unexpected summons from the knocker. She looked her surprise at the great man who stood on her tiny porch.

"I have come in search of one Linden Lane," the stranger said with a smile to which the girl responded.

"The name is unusual," admitted Lindenette, "and my own is even more impossible—being Lindenette Lane. May I ask you in from the cold?" She opened the door and Marvin Goodwin entered the pitifully barren room into which she led him. His eyes followed the girl rather than the contents of the room.

Two small, pale faces peered at him from the kitchen door, and Goodwin smiled at them.

"Do I look like Santa Claus?" he asked them by way of breaking the ice.

"No, you don't," returned the boy, bluntly. "Besides, Linda says it may be too cold for Santa Claus to come out this year." There was a wall from the little sister, and the boy strove vainly to conceal his disappointment at this announcement.

Linda gave them each a hug and told them to run along. When they had gone she turned to Goodwin with inquiry in her eyes.

"My errand is a pleasant one," he said quickly, for his own voice was none too controlled. "It will add to your happiness, I know." He drew a memorandum from his pocket, and after consulting it, asked: "Your father, Linden Lane? Did he live in Stillwater, Minn., 22 years ago?"

"Yes," replied Linda, with a flush of excitement lending roses to her cheeks. "I was born there."

"Then, to come directly to the point," Goodwin told her, "we find two deposits of \$25 each in two of our banks there. One Linden J. Lane opened the account 22 years ago."

Linda laughed softly.

"My father used always to fear bank failures, and put small amounts in many banks." She turned sparkling eyes upon Goodwin. "We thought we had collected all his savings," she said.

"These two nests were undiscovered," the man laughed, "and the hens have been laying golden eggs. You have, at this very minute \$300—"

"Three hundred dollars! Oh!" she impulsively held out her two toilworn little hands, "it is a fortune! The children! They can have their Santa Claus!"

Goodwin found himself feeling happier than he remembered having felt before. Was it the knowledge that he had been the Good Fairy in this small family, or was it something more subtle, more wonderful that had crept into his mind?

He laughed a trifle nervously.

"I am going to ask for immediate payment for the joy I have found for you," he said and when Linda's questioning eyes met his he said impetuously: "Let me come tomorrow—and help make Christmas glad for the children. May I come?"

Linda glanced at him with a new shyness. "Yes," she said, simply. "If you like I will go with you to help get that Christmas tree."

Next morning Linda and the children were up early.

The crackling of the fire as it roared up the stovepipe created a spirit of cheerfulness that greeted Marvin Goodwin when he presented himself at an early hour.

"Oh!" shouted Bobby, "here's our own Santa Claus!" His eyes were glued to the armful of packages Goodwin deposited on the table.

"Bobby!" cried Linda.

"Haven't you ever been Santa Claus before?" queried Peggy.

"Never! This is my very first experience. I hope I will acquit myself with proper dignity."

And Linda's eyes, over the heads of the children, looked down deep into Goodwin's big soul, and unconsciously she let the man read what her heart was saying.

"Next Christmas," he was saying in his mind, "Linda will have permanent roses in her cheeks, and her eyes will be mine, and that will be all the happiness one Santa Claus could have."

Lindenette smiled.

CONCERT BY H. S. ORCHESTRA

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A fine program was well rendered. It would have made a better impression had the program been shorter and the performance commenced a little earlier; but those who were present felt that they had received more than their money's worth in the entertainment that was furnished.

The Hiawatha pantomime and the home-made musical instrument contest were two features of special interest. The most fun-provoking part of the latter was the Wonderola, invented by Prof. S. L. Clements and operated by Prof. C. A. Anderson. Part of the electrical apparatus for the Hydro-Electro-Phone, invented by Carl Thomas, did not arrive until that night, so that it was impossible to tune it in time for the concert. However, it was exhibited and awarded the prize for originality as a musical instrument.

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